

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please examine revised claims 1-8 found on the "Amended Sheet" dated August 10, 2004.

The following is a complete listing of claims in this application.

1. (currently amended) Fireblocking device (11) for continuously preventing ~~continously~~ in a flame impact period the transfer of flames through ventilating apertures or similar passages, in openings for thermal fire ventilation, in ventilation ducts, in process plants or in vented facade exteriors, characterized by

- at least one permeable flame blocking and heat absorbing and heat accumulating grille body (13) to stop flames during instant and constant flame impact in the ~~intitiat~~ initial phase of flame impact, and

- at least one permeable element (12) containing and/or incorporating an intumescent material, for permanent fire stopping in the last phase of the flame impact period.

2. (original) Fireblocking device according to claim 1, characterized in that the heat absorbing and heat storing body (13) is three-dimensional.

3. (original) Fireblocking device according to claim 2, characterized in that it is shaped as a cylinder.

4. (original) Fireblocking device according to claim 3, characterized in that the heat absorbing and heat storing body (13) can contain metal pipes filled with liquid, minerals or mixes of these materials as main element.

5. (original) Fireblocking device according to claim 4, characterized in that the heat absorbing and heat storing body (13) comprises honeycomb-patterned sheet-metal, which can be arranged into a frame, which includes a thermal break.

6. (currently amended) Fireblocking device according to

~~one of the claims 1-5~~ claim 1, characterized in that the heat adsorbing perforated body (13) is positioned downstream of the semi-open element (12), and which contains intumescent material, positioned towards the flame front.

7. (currently amended) Fireblocking device according to ~~one of the claims 1-6~~ claim 1, characterized in that it is provided as sheet material.

Claim 8 (canceled).